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October 23, 1981.

The Honorable Robert Amory. Deputy Director, Central Intelligence Agency, 2030 E Street, N. W., Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Amory:

Decument No. Review of this decument by GIA has datermined that CIA has no objection to declase It contains information of CIA

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Recently we have established on our campus a Graduate institute World Affairs to draw more closely, at the graduate level, the endeavors of anthropology, economics, geography, history, political science, and sociology. By focusing the attention of students and faculties of these severis fields through interdepartmental seminars and studies upon the diverse aspects of current world affairs, we hope that their complexities may be more easily delineated and that a fuller appreciation of the problems will be achieved.

To inaugurate the program of the Institute we are arranging a conference at this University to consider the topic, "The Role of the Military in Society and Government in the Middle East." The conference and its proceedings are to be on a scholarly and academic basis. Six papers will be presented, as follows: Dr. Dankwart A. Rustow of the Brookings Institution to discuss the topic in general as it has obtained in the last decade or so and also as it is related to similar developments in new states and underdeveloped regions in other world areas; Professor George Kirk of Harvard University to present a paper on this subject as it pertains to modern Egypt; Professor Majid Khadduri of Johns Hopkins University's School of Advanced International Studies in Washington as to Iraq; Professor Jacob C. Hurewitz of Columbia University as to Israel;

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These papers will attempt to explore the influence, pressures, and overall positions of the military minds, men, and machines upon social, economic, and political developments in the Middle East since the end of World War II. Others from the Departments of Defense and State, from eastern and mid-western colleges and universities, and from various walks of life are being invited to attent and nemer to lead and participate in discussions of these papers. Dr. John C. amphell of the Council of Foreign Relations has agreed to come and summarize the findings of the papers and the discussions at the end of the final session. We fully expect that the edited papers wiall be published in a volume to be brought out by the Institute through The Ohio State University Press.

The conference will begin on Thursday evening, November 30, 1961, and will end with a session on Saturday morning, December 2nd. Two sessions are planned for Friday, December 1st.



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I am not quite sure just how publicly your agency ever performs but we would be most happy to have you detail for this conference one or two persons to be in attendance and to participate in the discussions at their own discretion. If you so desire, we can arrange housing for them.

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Whatever individuals say at the conference in the discussions will be us or off the record as the person requests. The papers will be published but not the discussions.

I look forward to an early reply indicating your willingness to help us launch suspiciously our Graduate Institute for World Affairs by delegating to us one or more representatives from your office.

Sincerely yours,

Sydney N. Fisher, Coordanator,

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